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Methods and Compositions for Synthesis of

Nucleic Acid Molecules Using Multiple Recognition Sites

Inventors:

CHESNUT et al.

Our Ref:

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

- 1. Second Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement;
- List of cited references on Form PTO-1449 (7 sheets); 2.
- A copy of each reference cited on Form PTO-1449 (20 documents: AH7, AM9, and 3. AT102-AS108); and
- 4. One (1) return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier. In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

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Sir:

Listed on accompanying Form PTO-1449 are documents that may be considered material to the examination of this application, in compliance with the duty of disclosure requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98. The numbering on this Second Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is a continuation of the numbering in Applicants' Information Disclosure Statement filed electronically on July 8, 2003, and Applicants' First Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement filed on July 8, 2003, in connection with the above-captioned application. A copy of each document is also provided.

Where the publication date of a listed document does not provide a month of publication, the year of publication of the listed document is sufficiently earlier than the effective U.S. filing date and any foreign priority date so that the month of publication is not in issue. Applicants have listed publication dates on the attached PTO-1449 based on information presently available to the undersigned. However, the listed publication dates

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Consideration of the cited documents and making the same of record in the prosecution of the above-identified application is respectfully requested. The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

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